

OPINION 1493

Geonemus Schoenherr, 1833 (Insecta, Coleoptera): *Curculio flabellipes* Olivier, 1807 designated as type species

Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers all previous designations of the type species for the nominal genus *Geonemus* Schoenherr, 1833 are hereby set aside and *Curculio flabellipes* Olivier, 1807 is hereby designated as type species.

(2) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology:

- (a) *Geonemus* Schoenherr, 1833 (gender: masculine), type species by designation in (1) above, *Curculio flabellipes* Olivier, 1807;
- (b) *Brachyomus* Lacordaire, 1863 (gender: masculine), type species by subsequent designation by Wibmer & O'Brien (1986) *Curculio octotuberculatus* Fabricius, 1787.

(3) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology:

- (a) *flabellipes* Olivier, 1807, as published in the binomen *Curculio flabellipes* (specific name of the type species of *Geonemus* Schoenherr, 1833);
- (b) *octotuberculatus* Fabricius, 1787, as published in the binomen *Curculio octotuberculatus* (specific name of the type species of *Brachyomus* Lacordaire, 1863).

History of Case 2565

An application for the designation of a type species for *Geonemus* Schoenherr, 1833 to remove its objective synonymy with *Brachyomus* Lacordaire, 1863, was received from Drs G. J. Wibmer & C. W. O'Brien (*Florida A & M University, Florida, U.S.A.*) on 24 March 1986. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 43: 300–302 (October 1986). Notice of the case was given to twelve general and twelve specialist serials. No comments were received.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 December 1987 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 43: 301. At the close of the voting period on 1 March 1988 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 22: Alvarado, Bayer, Cocks, Cogger, Corliss, Dupuis, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppell, Holthuis, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Melville, Mroczkowski, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Trjapitzin, Uéno, Willink

Negative votes — 1: Thompson.

No votes were returned by Bernardi and Gruchy. Thompson considered that insufficient usage of the names in question was documented.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

Brachyomus Lacordaire, 1863, *Histoire naturelle des insectes. Genera des Coléoptères...*, p. 130.

flabellipes, *Curculio*, Olivier, 1807, *Entomologie, ou histoire naturelle des insectes . . . Coléoptères*, p. 374.

Geonemus Schoenherr, 1833, *Synonymia Insectorum, Genera et species curculionidum, cum synonymia hujus familiae*, vol. 1, p. 13.

octotuberculatus, *Curculio*, Fabricius, 1787, *Mantissa insectorum . . .*, vol. 1, p. 112.